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## Hot Springs National Park News Release

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### Hot Springs National Park Announces April Calendar of Events

#### April 15

Professional photographer and current Artist- In- Residence, Char Marie Flood will be at the Hot Springs National Park Visitor Center at 1 p.m., to share photography tips for improving vacation pictures with park visitors.

Park Ranger Joey Herron will present a Leave No Trace program for families at the Garland County Library at 3:30 p.m. This one hour program will be presented in the library auditorium and will give information on how to go camping without impacting the natural resources in parks and forests. Children who attend can earn the park's Junior Ranger patch.

#### April 20—Anniversary Day

Light refreshments will be served in the Hot Springs National Park Visitor Center lobby beginning at 2 p.m. in recognition of the park's celebration of the 174<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of Hot Springs Reservation.

#### April 22—National Park Week Begins

Park Ranger Joey Herron will present a Leave No Trace Frontcountry program for families at the Hot Springs National Park Visitor Center at 3:30 p.m. to launch National Park Week at Hot Springs National Park. This year's National Park Week theme is "Connecting Our Children to America's National Parks." Children attending this program can earn the park's Junior Ranger patch. Children may earn the park's Junior Ranger badge any day by completing a Junior Ranger Activity Guide.

#### April 23 and April 30


Park Ranger Mark Blaeuer will present Sunday nature walks at 2 p.m. These programs will depart from the Hot Springs National Park Visitor Center front porch. Participants are asked to wear sturdy shoes, and to bring drinking water and insect repellent. The walks will be one to three hours in length. Routes vary each week. Children attending one of the walks can earn the park's Junior Ranger patch.

Park Rangers will offer two morning walks along Bathhouse Row from April 22- 30, 2006. The guided tours depart daily from the front porch of the Hot Springs National Park Visitor Center and are approximately 45 minutes in length. At 9:30 a.m. the "Discovering the Waters" walk highlights the story of the thermal water. At 10:30 a.m. the "**Bathhouse Row Insiders Tour**" will

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offer participants updated information on the renovation work along Bathhouse Row. It includes a look inside the Superior Bathhouse.

All park programs are open to the public and free of charge. The park visitor center is in the former Fordyce Bathhouse on downtown Central Avenue on Bathhouse Row.

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